

Post-Office Notification

A mail will leave for
Supplementary Mail for Amoy, 20
at 11 A.M. to-day, the 12th
for Shanghai.—Port City of Ez
2nd inst. at 4.30 P.M.
for Manila.—Por. Eumenidia, to
inst. at 4.30 P.M.
for Hongkong, Amoy and Eu
Tuesday, the 16th inst. at 10.30
Singapore, Penang, and Calcut
Mail Packets Mandatou and H
Thursday, the 17th inst. at 2.30 P
MAILS BY THE "FRENCH PA
French Mail Packet "SIND
departed on SATURDAY, the 12
with the Express to
and through the United King
to France and other Coun
via a speeded mail to France,
Aden, Galle, Australia and
London, Bombay, Batavia and
Amoy.
The Post Office will be open for
Ordinary Letters, Newspapers, H
the 11 A.M. on the 12th July, af
telegony can be received.
Orders on any of the Mon
5 P.M. on the United Kingdom will
5 P.M. on the 11th July.
the 10 A.M. on the 12th July will
10 A.M. on the 12th July.
F. W. MITCHELL
Postmaster
General Post Office,
Hongkong, 30th June, 1873.
MAILS BY THE "ENGLISH ST
PACKET
to United States Mail Packet "
will be dispatched on SATUR
instant, at 8 P.M., by the Mil
to Yokohama, San Francisco, the
and the United Kingdom.
the Post Office will be open for
Ordinary Letters, Books, Newsp
at 2.30 P.M.
Orders can be posted on board the
10 A.M. on the 12th inst.
20 P.M. in addition to the
Prepayment of the Postage to
places, by this route is com
pendent in proportion to the
of the Post Office for
intermediate States must be super
SE, and that addressed to the
Post Office must be inscribed "
F. W. MITCHELL
Postmaster
General Post Office,
Hongkong, 19th July, 1873.
MAILS BY THE "ENGLISH PA
English Contract Packet "
will be dispatched with the usual
at 10 A.M., on SATURDAY, the 19th
inst.
Orders on any of the Mon
5 P.M. on the 19th instant.
the 10 A.M. will be open until 6
inst.
Boxes, may be posted during t
box left open for their reception
the 10 A.M. on the 19th inst.
Letters for registration will be receiv
on the 19th instant.
Letters may be posted until 10 A.M.
instant, without late fee.
Letters will be forwarded unless th
10 P.M. at 10 cents each, as well as the
latest time for posting Letters
is 11 A.M., and for Newspapers, E
10 A.M. on the 19th inst.
Letters (but Letters only) addre
United Kingdom will Brindis, or
11.30 A.M. to the time of sailing.
of 48 cents each in
postage.
F. W. MITCHELL
Postmaster
General Post-Office,
Hongkong, 8th July, 1873.
is hereby notified that the postage
upon Paid Letters addressed to
forwarded by French Mail Pack
as per quarter ounce when forw
sh Mail Packet.
F. W. MITCHELL
Postmaster
General Post-Office,
Hongkong, 20th December, 1871.
is hereby notified that the rates of
charge on Letters addressed to Bat
United Kingdom, and to places be
at Kingston, when forwarded by
et, will be the same as those cha
of Letters by French Packet "
F. W. MITCHELL
Postmaster
General Post Office,
Hongkong, 29th April, 1872.
is hereby notified, that hencefor
charge on Letters addressed to Bat
forwarded by French Packet, will
Post Office, will be the same as
F. W. MITCHELL
Postmaster
General Post-Office,
Hongkong, 18th December, 1872.
is hereby notified that hencefor
charge on letters addressed to Newfo
will not be paid in advance, will
be forwarded via

Brindis.....	34 cents each,
Amoy.....	34 "
Amoy forwarded via	34 "
Marselles.....	34 "
Amoy forwarded via	34 "
Southern.....	28 "
Southern.....	28 "

F. W. MITCHELL
Postmaster
General Post-Office,
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1873.
is hereby notified that hencefor
charge on letters addressed to Denma
forwarded via Southampton, will
be subject to an additional
diversity.
F. W. MITCHELL
Postmaster
General Post-Office,
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1873.
is hereby notified that hencefor
charge on letters addressed to Norw
forwarded via Southampton, will
be subject to an additional
diversity.
F. W. MITCHELL
Postmaster
General Post-Office,
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1873.
is hereby notified for general in
encourage the Postage on Let
to Russia, when carried to be
Southern, will be reduced to
office-charge.
F. W. MITCHELL
Postmaster
General Post Office,
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1873.

hereby notified for general information

mission chargeable on Money
 upon the United Kingdom at Hong
 Kong, and Yokohama. will be as
 follows, not exceeding £2.....15 cts
 above £2 and not exceeding £5.....35 cts
 above £5 and not exceeding £7.....50 cts
 above £7 and not exceeding £8.....75 cts
 F. W. MITCHELL,
 Postmaster Gen.
 Hong Kong, 15th July, 1870.

hereby notified for general inform
 ation, that Postage (which must be paid
 in advance) upon letters addressed to Prince
 of Wales, will henceforward be as fol
 lows:—

in forwarded risk	42 cents each half.
in forwarded risk	35 cents each half.
in forwarded risk	25 cents each half.
in forwarded risk	25 cents each half.

F. W. MITCHELL,
 Postmaster Gen.
 Hong Kong, 28th July, 1870.

Extracts.

LEFT ALONE AT EIGHTY.
BY ALICE ROBBINS.
What did you say, dear, breakfast?
Somehow I've slept too late;
You're very kind to tell me so;
Go tell them not to wait;
I'll dress as quick as ever I can,
My old hands tremble so;
And Polly, who used to help, dear heart,
Is colder side of the door.

Put up the old pie, deary,
I couldn't make to-day;
I'm short of bread and frightened,
And don't know what to say.
It's long since in the house here,
And long since out of door—
I never knew what loneliness meant
In my life before.

The bees humming the whole day long,
And the first June rose has blown;
And I am eight and ten to-day,
Too old to be a housemaid,
O, heart of love so still and cold,
O, precious lips so white—
For the first and last in sixty years,
You were out of my reach last night.

You've put the flower. You're very kind,
She roared it out to-day.
It was only a slip, I pulled the rose,
And threw the stem away.
But she, sweet, didn't see, bent down,
And plucked it where she stood;
"Dear me, the flowers are living," she said,
"Asleep in this bit of wood."

I can't read dear—I cannot read!
Let the old man have his will;
And wander from porch to garden post—
The house is so deathly still.
Wander, and long for a night of the gate
Shut the door and let him in;
We had got used to each other, dear,
So used to each other, you see.

Sixty years, and so wise and good,
She made me a better man,
From the moment I kissed her fair young face,
O, my love's life began,
And seven fine boys she has given me,
And out of the seven and ten,
But the noblest father in all the land
Would be proud to call his son.

O, well, dear Lord, I'll be patient,
But I feel so broken up;
At eighty years, it's an awfully thing
To drink such a bitter cup.
I know there's Joseph and John and Hal,
And four good men besides;
But a hundred sons couldn't be to me,
Like the woman I made my bride.

My little Polly—so bright and fair!
So winsome, so good and sweet!
She had roses twined in her sunny hair,
While she stood on her duty feet.
And I held her hand with a loving grip,
And I told her how I loved her;
That we stood up to wed?
And—No, I remember, I'm eighty to-day,
And my dear wife, Polly, is dead.

PERFUMANCE.
Some persons have the unfortunate knack
And habit of wantonly hurting the feelings
Of those around them, even of those
whom they respect and who respect them,
disparaging, for instance, things or persons
held in esteem by them, or con-
tradicting, for contradiction's sake, their
pet theories and rooted opinions. Speeches
of this kind are often more intentional
than they seem, and the truth is, that
sublimely, than graver delinquencies, such as
the breach of an engagement or the non-
fulfilment of a promised service. These latter
delinquencies may arise from forgetfulness
or inattention—faults from which no man is
entirely free, and which, therefore, every
sensible man is the more disposed to forgive,
especially in a friend. But wantonly
disparaging speeches can arise from no other
animus than the wish to give pain, though
it be in a small quantity. Persons who deal
in these petulant speeches will, perhaps, say
that there are "small things," requiring only
a little patience and good humour in the
recipient. Life, however, is chiefly made up
of small things, and those persons who in-
dulge in the infliction of small veniations are
guilty of great fault. As a matter of unde-
niable fact, "small things" are the kind on
which question do lessen the warmth of friend-
ship. It is true that a friend should bear a
friend's infirmities; but the less disagreeable
these infirmities are the more likely they are
to be borne, and the more permanent and
cordial is the friendship likely to prove. It
is a great mistake, in fact, to suppose that
intimacy absolves from courtesy. There may
be too much of the form of courtesy, indeed,
for familiar intercourse; but too little of
them is the more dangerous extreme. Friend-
ship is a delicate plant; and if ceremonious-
ness stunts or retards its growth, discourtesy
will kill it. Friendship, it has been well ob-
served, can only be preserved by the manners
which first attracted it. —From Colburn's New Monthly.

BALL ROOM FLIRTATIONS.
Flirting means so many different things
to different people, that it would be difficult
to obtain any general assent as to the light
in which it ought to be held. If by flirting is
meant—in the ball-room sense—making do-
liberate love where nothing more than passing
amusement is intended, and then permitting
The girl whose sole object is to get proposals
which she rejects with scornful permission
and "tip-dit nose," has much to answer
for. The man whose eyes are continually
saying that he never brings his lips to
say, has more. Both do harm which they
cannot repair. Both inflict wounds which
they cannot heal, but which are none the less
deep because they do not bleed. Society is
not so hollow that all it is to be looked
upon as false. Otherwise the honest man
or woman would have no place there; and
Heaven forbid that this should be the case.
Deliberate falsehood, therefore—and such
flirting is nothing else—is powerful for ill.
Far be the day when every girl has to look
upon what is said to her at a ball-room as
entirely fictitious and untrue, and when
when a man says the least of things by which
he is not meant, but may intend to refuse to
obey. If flirting, however, merely means
chaff, good-humour, fun, and wit; the plea-
sure which two people who like one another's
society take in being together; a chat over a
past pleasant party, a scheme for a future
one; then none may wage successful war
against it. Stupid among the stupid is the
girl who never gets beyond cold common-
places because she is afraid of having love
made to her; and wearisome is he whose
actions and words are regulated solely by the
fear of being asked his intentions. In this
respect, indeed, different men have different
privileges. The party of the season must be
far more guarded than he whose "detrimen-
talism" has been known for years. The
Foreigner, clear, on the young man, in the
Gardeners, may say and do much that
the owner of acres or the eldest son may not.
All this is pretty well understood; and con-
sidering the number of people who would be
affected by them, mistakes as to this seldom
occur. —Macmillan.

HORTICULTURAL SHOW, 1873.
THE Committee of Management of the Pub-
lic Gardens propose to hold the Second
ANNUAL HORTICULTURAL SHOW
during February next.

A small quantity of Vegetable Seeds for Chi-
nese Gardeners will be obtainable in due time
from the Superintendent of Government Gar-
dens.

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Insurances.

POSITIVE GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
CHAS. H. MORGAN, Agent.
17 903 Hongkong, 18th June, 1873.
THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents to the above Company, at this
Port, are prepared to grant Policies against
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11102 Hongkong, 24th June, 1873.

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Insurances, viz:—
Not exceeding Ten days: 1/2 of the annual rate
Not exceeding 1 month: 1/2 do. do.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding 3 months: 2/3 do. do.
Above 3 months, and not exceeding 6 months: 3/4 do. do.
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